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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Dr. Johann ENGELHARDT

entitled: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MEASURING THE LIFETIME OF AN EXCITED STATE IN A SPECIMEN**

Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 20 claims (pages 1-12, plus Abstract of the Disclosure page).
2. 4 Sheets of formal drawings showing Figs. 1-4
3. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**executed**).
4. Assignment of the invention to Leica Microsystems Heidelberg GmbH.
5. Certified copy of Priority Document 100 56 384.8 filed in Germany on November 14, 2000, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
6. X Information Disclosure Statement w/2 references.
7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee	\$370/740 = \$740.00
Total Claims <u>20</u> - 20 = _____	x \$ 9/18 = \$
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Multiple Dependent Claim Presented	\$140/280 = \$
Total Filing Fee	<u>\$740.00</u>

Two checks in the amount of \$740.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #2203/50472). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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